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F.D.A. Commissioner

5630 Fishers Ln. Room 1061 (HFA-305)

Re: Docket No. OOP-1211/CP + Docket No 99N-4282

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A responsible government would require complete information about any genetic engineering of the food we eat. Our freedom of choice is removed when we are unaware of what has been put in, taken out, or altered in our food products.

Some pro-engineering specialists say we must do this to feed Third World Countries. Can you or any of them show us where this has been helpful & who pays for the engineered seeds? Will the seed be given to Third World growers? If so why aren't we giving them whatever seed we have now so they can eat 'til the engineered seed is available?

But most important is our Right to Know if bio. or genetic engineered products are in what we buy !!

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Who pays the bill when weird things begin to happen to animals, humans or insects who eat

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altered foods? People with food allergies or medical diet restrictions will never feel safe.

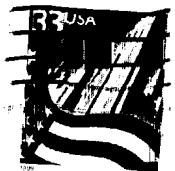
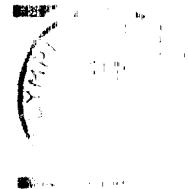
So, please require labelling at least and testing by neutral + very careful professionals who can't be "bought" by engineers + or scientists doing the altering,

Another point about the benefits of these seeds going to Third World Countries: Most countries who suffer from lack of food have destructive governments + help for the poor people rarely gets to them. Look at the record of what has happened to the tons + tons of food + other aid sent by the U.S. + other countries to those in need.

And, I have read many reports stating that our genetically engineered foods are rejected in many countries + so our trade in food stuffs worldwide suffers !!

Sincerely,
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